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SUBJ: DRAFT CONSTITUTION

REF: ADDIS 11436

1. ANNOUNCED FUNCTION OF CITIZEN ADVISORY BODY INCLUDES RESPONSIBILITY TO DRAFT NEW CONSTITUTION BASED ON MOTTO "ETHIOPIA FIRST" (CF. REFTEL). DR. WORKU, DEAN OF HSIU LAW SCHOOL, STATED TO EMBOFF THAT THE PREVIOUS CONSTITUTIONAL DRAFTING COMMITTEE WENT AS FAR AS POLITICAL REALITIES THEN EXTANT PERMITTED IN LIBERALIZING DRAFT CONSTITUTION, AND THAT THE PREVIOUS DRAFT CONSTITUTION WILL BE USED AS BASIS FOR NEW DRAFT CONSTITUTION.

2. ATO GIRMA, PARLIAMENT STAFF, CONFIRMED THAT OLD DRAFT LIKELY TO BE MODEL FOR NEW AND THAT OLD DRAFT BASED PRIMARILY ON AMERICAN AND BRITISH MODELS. PRINCIPAL AREAS TO BE MODIFIED DEAL WITH LAND REFORM AND MONARCHY. LATTER REQUIRES DECISION CONCERNING TYPE OF GOVT TO BE INSTITUTED AND INDICATIONS AS YET LACKING AS TO LIKELY TIME-FRAME FOR THIS DECISION.

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